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Contra Costa County

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Anna Roth, Health Services Director

Date: June 8, 2021

Subject: Agreement #28-956 with the Contra Costa County Office of Education

### **RECOMMENDATION(S):**

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Health Services Director, or designee, to execute on behalf of the County Agreement #28-956 with the Contra Costa County Office of Education, an educational institution, to pay County an amount not to exceed \$120,000 to employ a substance abuse counselor to screen incarcerated persons at West County Detention Facility for Substance Use (SU) treatment, for the period May 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

If approved, this agreement will result in payments to the County of up to \$120,000 from the Contra Costa County Office of Education. No County match is required.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

Over the last two years, Game Plan for Success (GPS) has collected a significant amount of data resulting from the Risk Needs Responsivity scores highlighting the prevalence of behavioral health needs for both mental health and SU disorders. Unfortunately, besides the DEUCE program which includes light SU education, there is no SU treatment in any of the detention facilities. Furthermore, the National Institute on Health and Drug Abuse indicate

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RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR	RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE	
Action of Board On: 06/08/2021 APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED OTHER		
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VOTE OF SUPERVISORS		
AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor Candace Andersen, District II Supervisor Diane Burgis, District III Supervisor Karen Mitchoff, District IV Supervisor Federal D. Glover, District V Supervisor	I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.  ATTESTED: June 8, 2021  Monica Nino, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors	
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that providing substance abuse treatment for those incarcerated in the	

# **BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)**

detention facilities improves outcomes and increases public safety. The counselor will become part of the GPS team at West County Detention Facility and will screen individuals for SU severity following Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders and American Society of Addiction Medicine criteria, coordinate transition to SU treatment upon discharge, gather data to demonstrate GPS program effectiveness, arrange or provide transportation to SU programs through the reentry success center and provide services through telehealth until onsite services resume.

Approval of Agreement #28-956 will allow the County's Alcohol and Other Drugs (AODS) Division to employ a substance abuse counselor to screen and support incarcerated persons through June 30, 2022.

# CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

If this agreement is not approved, incarcerated persons at West County Detention Facilities will not receive SU treatment to improve outcomes and increase public safety.